

M'NAMARA ATTORNEYS BITTERLY PROTEST WHEN THESE JURORS ARE PASSED BY JUDGE

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Suppose you were the judge trying a man for his life?

Suppose there were two venire-



Walter N. Frampton.

men being examined; that one of them stated he believed the defendant guilty beyond a reasonable doubt, and the other that the defendant would have to prove his innocence, yet would you consider it just that these men should sit as jurors?

The answer of Judge Walter Bordwell brought a bitter protest from Clarence Darrow, chief attorney for the defense of Jim McNamara, charged with the murder of the men who lost their lives when the Los Angeles Times was destroyed.

After Darrow had finished questioning Walter N. Frampton and A. C. Winter, veniremen

he challenged both because Winter said McNamara would have to prove his innocence and Frampton stated he believed the accused was guilty. The challenge was disallowed, Judge Bordwell stating that he believed both men could try McNamara fairly as they had stated they would do, if passed as jurors.

The McNamara defense has maintained from the beginning of the trial that Judge Bordwell is not qualified, by reason of prejudice, to try the case. One of the early incidents of the trial was Atty. Lecompte Davis' asser-



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tion in open court that Bordwell's questions seemed designed, "although possibly unconsciously," to indicate to the jurors the sort of answer he returned.